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## **Introduced by Senator Allen**

## March 17, 2016

Senate Resolution No. 70—Relative to urological health month.

WHEREAS, Tens of millions of Americans are affected by urological diseases and conditions, including urinary incontinence, overactive bladder, underactive bladder, interstitial cystitis, nocturia, urinary tract infections, bladder cancer, urotrauma, and neurogenic bladder; and

WHEREAS, Urological diseases and conditions have significant impact on health and quality of life—contributing to depression, social isolation, falls, sexual dysfunction, loss of self-esteem, hospitalizations, nursing home admissions, and even death; and

WHEREAS, Medical and behavioral research to better understand and maintain bladder health and treat bladder diseases is critically needed, yet poorly recognized; and

WHEREAS, Bladder problems are highly stigmatized, and open dialogue generated by Urological Health Month can reduce stigma and empower providers and patients to have much needed conversations about bladder health; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, That the Senate designates the month of November 2016 as Urological Health Month; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.